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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1966

BY

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WORTHING RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Offices,

15, Mill Road,

Worthing.

June, 1967.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for 1966.

The estimated population increase was 1,080 inspite of there being 298 more deaths than live births recorded during the year. Thus the trend of the post-war years continues with the average age of the population becoming older and older. This accounts for the increased number of deaths. The cause of the latter showed no significant change. The number of illegitimate births has been steadily rising to the level it reached at the end of the last war when the record number of 54 was achieved in 1945. After the war the number fell to 19 in 1950, and remained about this figure until 1961. Since then it has steadily risen but no one wants to see a new record here. It is not that young people are not aware of the facts of life because in recent years there has been more sex education than ever before, nor do I feel that this form of health education is in anyway responsible, except that it has not been good enough to prevent a lowering in moral standards. These births are better prevented for health as well as social reasons, but I do not know how they can be prevented except by more widespread use of the pill by unmarried women, but this also seems morally wrong.

Amongst the notifiable diseases were 4 cases of food poisoning due to foxglove leaves from the garden being added to the spring greens. Many wild plants are edible and wholesome, but if in doubt people should not eat leaves, berries or plants which they find growing in their gardens or the countryside. In the case of the four people with Digitalis poisoning from the foxgloves no permanent harm was done, but such mistakes could be fatal.

The mobile public convenience proved a great success near the sea at Rustington and it was not unduly damaged by vandals. There is a need for this type which offers better facilities than some which have been built on traditional lines.

In 1950 the estimated population of Angmering, East Preston, Ferring, Kingston and Rustington was 10,381 in 3565 houses. In 1966 there were approximately 20,966 in 8,725 houses. The result of this is a lot of extra sewage to be discharged at the Kingston sea outfall. The improved disposal which the Council is contemplating

is clearly needed as soon as it can be provided. I agree that a properly sited sea outfall, and it would probably be about two miles out to sea, will cause no health hazard and a negligible nuisance, but I would like to see some form of treatment prior to disposal. I was very impressed with the experimental plant at Portsmouth where electrolysis of the sea water was used and the resultant effluent was quite innocuous in appearance.

The shortage of hospital beds in the area has had considerable publicity. Doctors report to me their difficulty getting patients into hospital and the geriatrician has stressed again, in his Annual Report, the dire shortage of beds for the aged and his waiting list grows ever longer.

Voluntary organisations do much to help the health and well being of the local community. One of the newer ones, which is doing excellent work in rehabilitating those who have been mentally sick, is the Worthing and District Association for Mental Health. Even patients who have been in hospital for many years are being brought back into the community to live a useful life. The Worthing & District Home and Water Safety Committees have been active throughout the year and a second film on water safety called 'Dressed for Drowning' has been produced in order to try and prevent accidents in the water.

An additional Public Health Inspector was appointed and this has meant that a very high standard of inspection has been carried out in the District.

I am indebted to Mr. Oates, the other Chief Officers and the County Medical Officer and others who have provided me with the necessary information to compile this Report.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

FRANK COCKCROFT,

Medical Officer of Health.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Worthing Rural District Council.

SECTION A

Area (acres), 29,809.

Resident Population (1966) estimated by Registrar General 43,000.

No. of inhabited houses end of 1966, according to Rate Books, 17,381.

Rateable value (1966)—£2,277,572.

Sum represented by a 1d. rate—£9,133.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR

	Total	M.	F.	
Total Live Births	602	325	277	—Rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population 14.0. Corrected rate 21.4.
Stillbirths	3	1	4	—Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births 6.6.
Deaths	845	423	422	—Rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population 19.6. Corrected rate 9.6.

Infant deaths, 15

Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births—total 24.9.

„ „ „ „ „ „ —legitimate 23.3

„ „ „ „ „ „ —illegitimate 44.4

Neo-natal mortality rate per 1,000 live births 19.9 (first four weeks).

Early neo-natal mortality rate per 1,000 live births 16.6
(under one week).

Perinatal mortality rate (stillbirths and deaths under one week per 1,000 live and stillbirths) 23.1.

Illegitimate live births 45.

Illegitimate live births % of total live births 7.4 %

Maternal deaths (including abortion) nil.

Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths . nil.

Deaths from cancer (all ages) 165.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1966

			England and Wales	West Sussex Urban	Sussex Rural	Worthing R.D.
Birth Rate	...	...	17.7	14.1	14.2	14.0
Death Rate	...	...	11.7	15.4	13.7	19.6
Infantile death rate	...		19.0	14.2	14.8	24.9
Pul. T.B. death rate	...		0.04	0.45	0.006	—
Cancer death rate	...		2.2	3.1	2.7	3.8
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 births	...		0.26	—	—	0.0

Comparative Statistics, 1933—1966

			No. of inhabited houses	Average number of persons per house
1933	...	16,306	5,477	2.99
1938	...	23,640	8,822	2.68
1945	...	24,260	8,996	2.46
1950	...	29,600	10,010	2.95
1955	...	31,230	11,455	2.72
1956	...	31,690	11,969	2.65
1957	...	32,370	11,910	2.72
1958	...	33,470	12,411	2.69
1959	...	34,770	13,030	2.67
1960	...	35,330	13,657	2.59
1961	...	37,970	14,618	2.59
1962	...	39,000	15,116	2.58
1963	...	40,000	15,359	2.60
1964	...	40,990	15,897	2.58
1965	...	41,920	16,984	2.47
1966	...	43,000	17,381	2.47

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH IN 1966

Cause of Death	All Ages	MALES					FEMALES				
		Under 45	45-64	65-74	75 and upwards	Total	Under 45	45-64	65-74	75 and upwards	Total
Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	15		2	2	4	8		2	3	2	7
Malignant Neoplasm, lung, bronchus	43		12	14	5	31		8	3	1	12
Malignant Neoplasm, breast	8							3		5	8
Malignant Neoplasm uterus	2							1	1		2
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	91	2	5	18	21	46	13	12	20		45
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	6	1		2	1	4			1	1	2
Diabetes	2								1	1	2
Vascular lesions of Nervous System	114		4	15	22	41		4	12	57	73
Coronary Disease, Angina	171	3	26	44	30	103	1	12	27	28	68
Hypertension with Heart Disease	22		1	3	6	10		1	3	8	12
Other Heart Diseases	146	2	3	11	40	56		6	7	77	90
Other Circulatory Disease	40		1	8	14	23	1	2	6	8	17
Pneumonia	40	1	2	4	17	24			3	13	16
Bronchitis	27	1	3	7	9	20			2	5	7
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	16		2	5	4	11		1	1	3	5
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	4				2	2		1		1	2
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	1				1	1					
Nephritis and Nephrosis	2							1		1	2
Hyperplasia of Prostate	3		1		2	3					
Congenital Malformations	5	2				2	2			1	3
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	57	6	2	6	12	26	8	3	5	15	31
Motor vehicle accidents	4	3	1			4					
All other accidents	14	1	2	1	1	5			1	8	9
Suicide	11	2	1			3	3	1	1	3	8
Homicide and operations of war	1						1				1
TOTAL	845	24	68	140	191	423	16	59	89	258	422

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Chairman of the Public Health Committee:

Dr. W. F. BEWLEY, C.B.E.

STAFF

Medical Officer of Health:

FRANK COCKCROFT, M.A., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H.

Chief Public Health Inspector:

E. T. OATES, (a), (b), (c), (d).

Public Health Inspectors:

B. G. ROSSITER, (Deputy) (a), (b).

A. R. MOORES (a), (b).

K. AUTY, (a), (b).

C. R. HAYWARD, (a), (b).

V. J. CLINCH, (a), (b) (Comm. 1.6.66).

Qualifications:

- (a) Certificate of Royal Society of Health and S.I.E. Joint Board (Public Health Inspector) or Certificate of Public Health Inspectors Education Board.
- (b) Certificate of Royal Society of Health (Meat and Food Inspector).
- (c) Fellow of Association of Public Health Inspectors.
Fellow of the Royal Society of Health.
- (d) Associate Member of the Institute of Public Cleansing.

Rodent Operators:

F. BUNN

D. LEWIS

CLERICAL STAFF

This consists of five Clerks, of whom Miss Harding is the Chief. The Medical Officer of Health also has a part-time Secretary, Miss R. Goad.

The Medical Officer of Health is also Medical Officer of Health for the Littlehampton Urban District and Departmental Medical Officer for the County.

Services provided by West Sussex County Council

Nursing

General District Nurses, Midwives, Health Visitors and School Nurses are employed by the County Council to serve in the area. The telephone numbers of midwives and district nurses are listed in the telephone directory under 'Nurses—West Sussex County Council.'

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres.

Child Welfare Centres were held in the district as follows:—

			No. of children attending	Total attendances
Angmering	... ..	Tues. 2.30 p.m.		
(Village Hall)		(1st & 3rd in month)	136	816
Clapham	... ..	Weds. 2.30 p.m.		
(Village Hall)		(2nd & 4th in month)	28	303
East Preston	... ..	Thurs. 2.30 p.m.		
(Conservative Hall)		(Weekly)	259	916
Ferring	... ..	Fridays, 2.30 p.m.		
(Village Hall)		(2nd, 4th, 5th in month)	177	1,016
Findon	... ..	Fridays, 2.30 p.m.		
(The Surgery)		(2nd & 4th in month)	48	317
Lancing	... ..	Weds. 2.30 p.m.		
(Health Clinic)		Fridays, 2.30 p.m.	576	4,522
		(Weekly)		
Poling	... ..	Fridays, 2.30 p.m.		
		(1st in month)	13	78
Rustington	... ..	Weds. 2.30 p.m.		
(Village Hall)		(Weekly)	359	1,706

In addition, centres at Littlehampton and Arundel were available for residents adjoining these urban areas.

Ante-natal and Post-natal Clinics.

Lancing (Health Clinic). General Practitioners' Sessions.

Tuesday 2 p.m. (weekly).

Thursday 3 p.m. (1st, 2nd and 3rd in month).

Free dental treatment is available for expectant and nursing mothers at the Dental Clinics.

A Family Planning Clinic is provided by the County Council at Shoreham Health Clinic and the Family Planning Association operates one at the Health Clinic, Bognor Regis and Worthing.

School Clinics.

The district is served by the following:

(a) Minor Ailments

(b) Eyes

(c) Dental

(d) Orthopaedic

(e) Physiotherapy

(f) Speech Therapy

} Littlehampton and
Lancing Health Clinics.

} Lancing and Shoreham-by-Sea
Health Clinics, and
Littlehampton Health Clinic
as required.

Ambulance Service.

The County Council operate the Ambulance Service (including the Hospital Car Service) in the County. Requests are made through the doctor or hospital attending the patient or through the Police or public in case of accidents or other emergencies.

Health Education.

The County Council are responsible for this Service, a great amount of which is done by the Health Visitors, both in the homes and at the Clinics.

Mental Health.

The County Council is responsible for a domiciliary mental welfare service, but institutional and out-patient treatment is provided by the Regional Hospital Board.

Home Help Service.

The County Council is responsible for the Home Help Service.

Hospital and Specialist Services

A comprehensive hospital and specialist service is provided by the Regional Hospital Board. Hospital accommodation of a private nature is available in certain circumstances, subject to appropriate charges.

Mass Radiography Units are stationed at Portsmouth and Brighton.

Chest Clinics.

Chest Clinics are held at Worthing Hospital and Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea, which are available to all residents in the Worthing Rural District.

Venereal Diseases.

Residents may attend Clinics at Worthing Hospital, St. Richard's Hospital, Chichester, the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, or St. Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth.

Cervical Cytology.

Every Wednesday afternoon and evening, a Clinic is held at Worthing Hospital for the early detection of cancer in the neck of the womb. Women between 35 and 55 are eligible to attend the Clinic.

Nursing Homes

There is one private nursing home in the district registered with the County Council.

General Medical and Dental Services

Local arrangements for these services are organised through the National Health Service Executive Council for West Sussex, 175, Broyle Road, Chichester.

Meals-on-Wheels

The W.R.V.S. provide a Meals-on-Wheels service for old people. The western area is covered from Littlehampton and the eastern area from Lancing. At Lancing meals are provided at Chesham House where a total of 16,517 were prepared, of which 11,158 were delivered to old people in their homes and 5,359 were consumed at Chesham House.

Laboratory Facilities

The following Laboratories are available for the examination of specimens:

The Public Health Laboratory, Brighton.

The Worthing Hospital Laboratory.

The Public Analyst's Laboratory, Lewes.

Mortuary

The Rural District Council provide a Mortuary at Lancing. This mortuary provides the basic essentials only and falls far short of the requirements of an ideal modern mortuary. The expense involved would hardly be justified in a mortuary with such a small throughput.

The number of bodies entering the mortuary during the year was 40.

Medical Examination of Staff

Eighteen examinations were carried out for Superannuation purposes.

National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amended 1951)

Section 47

No action necessary under this Section during the year.

Section 50—Burial or Cremation of the Dead

Action was necessary in one case during the year.

SECTION C

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

I. WATER SUPPLY

Fifteen of the Parishes in the District have Public Mains water supply, and two by supplies from private sources.

The following extensions of mains have been made during the year:—

(i) By Worthing Corporation in the Parish of:—

Angmering	...	...	...	1,742 yards
Burpham	...	...	...	206 yards (relaid)
Clapham	...	...	...	Nil
East Preston	...	...	...	618 yards
Ferring	...	...	...	666 yards
Findon	...	...	...	1,269 yards
Lyminster	...	...	...	43 plus
				1,291 yards (relaid)
Rustington	...	...	...	1,339 yards

(ii) By Brighton Corporation in the Parish of:—

Lancing

off Grinstead Lane	...	4in. diameter	..	281 yards
Manor Road	...	3in. diameter	...	40 yards
		4in. diameter	...	41 yards
Manor Road	...	4in. diameter	...	156 yards
		6in. diameter	...	76 yards
Lancing Carriage Works		4in. diameter	...	1,496 yards
		6in. diameter	...	879 yards
Chester Avenue by				
South Street	...	4in. diameter	...	103 yards
Mash Barn Lane	...	4in. diameter	...	639 yards
		6in. diameter	...	336 yards
off Manor Road	...	4in. diameter	...	48 yards
		6in. diameter	...	55 yards

(iii) By Worthing Corporation in the Parish of:—

Sompting	...	3in. diameter	...	98 yards
		4in. diameter	...	666 yards
		6in. diameter	...	5 yards

Brighton Corporation supply the Parish of Lancing, the North West Sussex Joint Water Board supply the Parish of Houghton and a small part of the Parish of Findon; the Worthing Corporation Undertaking provide a supply in the remaining fifteen Parishes, having taken over the supply previously provided by the Fitzalan Howard Estates Company Limited in the Parishes of Burpham, Warningcamp and South Stoke.

The water supply in the Parish of Coombes is provided privately in the two Farm areas from a private source controlled by the farmers concerned, and is satisfactory.

There is one other private supply in the District situated at an Estate in the Parish of Rustington, which serves 242 houses; the water is sampled at regular intervals and only on one occasion was a sample found to be unsatisfactory due to a breakdown in the pumping plant.

Chemical and bacteriological examinations are carried out by Brighton Corporation. The following is an extract from their Chemist's reports:—

"1. The water supply of the area has been satisfactory in quantity and quality. Chlorination, with or without post ammoniation of all raw water is practiced continuously except where super and dechlorination is utilised before the addition of ammonia to form chloramine as in the case of Burpham boreholes nos. 3 and 4.

2. Bacteriological results of Burpham water:—

Raw Water				No. of samples	No. showing Coliform organisms in 100 ml.	No. showing E. Coli in 100 ml.	No. showing Coliform absent in 100 ml.
Borehole 2	...	...	...	355	187	140	168
„ 3	...	...	...	355	252	214	103
„ 4	...	...	...	356	276	253	80
After treatment							
Borehole 2	...	...	...	355	2	1	353
„ 3 & 4	...	...	...	355	2	1	353

The correct amount of chlorine was present in each of the treated samples taken at Burpham. In view of this it is believed that the results showing the presence of organisms in the treated water were due possibly to faulty sampling or examination technique.

The bacteriological pollution of the raw waters varied in coincidence with the tide height in the River Arun.

The chemical character of the water also showed a similar correlation between the river and the borehole.

The highest pollution was in mid-September coinciding with very high tides. On September 16 there were 1,254 coliform organisms recorded as present in 100ml. water from borehole 4. The chloride level rose to over 600. Boreholes 3 and 4 were shut down for much of the time between 15—19 until conditions were back to normal.

Bacteriological results at Sompting Pumping Station:—

Raw	...	...	...	49	2	2	47
Chlorinated	...	...	...	262	0	0	262

3. Since all the water is obtained from chalk there is little likelihood of any plumbo solvent action.

4. Fluoride content of the water in all parts of the district less than 0.1 mgm/litre.

5. Complaints from residents were mainly either connected with or taste of chlorine, or with dirty deposits in kettles. The former was occasionally due to residual free chlorine and the latter to the process of copper mixed with calcium carbonate."

The following table shows the results of 42 samples of water sent to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination:—

				Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Rustington Sea Estate Supply	...	...		6	1
Worthing Corporation Water Undertaking:					
Burpham Well	...	...	...	1	0
Patching Well	...	...	...	6	0
Broadwater Well	...	...	...	1	0
Swanbourne Lake,					
South Stoke	...	...	...	2	0
Brighton Corporation Water Undertaking				3	0
North West Sussex Joint Water Board					
(Findon and Houghton)	...	...		2	0
Private Mains:					
Church Farm, Coombes	...	...		1	0
Applesham Farm, Coombes	...	...		4	0
Individual Wells	...	...	...	13	0
Streamside, Coombes					
(land spring in "Ladywells")	...	...		2	0

The following Table gives details of the water supply to each Parish:—

WATER SUPPLIED:

PARISH	(a)		(b)		(c)	
	Direct to House	Population	Well Water	Population	Rain Water	Population
Angmering ...	1,486	3,812	25	63	0	0
Burpham ...	73	200	0	0	0	0
Clapham ...	106	312	0	0	0	0
Coombes ...	15	48	4	10	1	3
East Preston ...	1,651	4,303	0	0	0	0
Ferring ...	1,944	4,227	3	7	0	0
Findon ...	669	1,808	2	5	0	0
Houghton ...	40	115	4	10	4	10
Kingston ...	200	475	16	40	0	0
Lancing ...	6,052	15,650	0	0	1	3
Lyminster ...	87	337	0	0	1	3
Patching ...	80	262	0	0	0	0
Poling ...	67	170	0	0	0	0
Rustington ...	3,398	8,034	2	5	0	0
Sompting ...	2,717	6,151	0	0	0	0
South Stoke ...	20	67	3	8	1	3
Warningcamp ...	57	212	1	3	0	0
TOTAL ...	18,662	46,183	60	151	8	22

No houses are supplied by stand pipes.

2. DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

(a) *Western Area.*

The existing gravitational sewers serving the Parishes of East Preston, Angmering, Rustington, Kingston and Ferring drain to fourteen Ejector Stations and four Pumping Stations, which deliver the sewage to storage tanks where it is screened, macerated and discharged to sea on the ebb tide at a point 500 yards below high water mark.

The pumping systems and disposal works were installed over 30 years ago, and by reason of increasing flows are now working to capacity. As a result, the Council is considering alternative schemes for new disposal works or sea outfall together with the enlargement and modernisation of all pumping plant and mains, as reported last year. The present situation is that negotiations are proceeding with Littlehampton Urban District Council with a view to a joint sewage disposal scheme being provided.

(b) *Eastern Area.*

The sewers in the Eastern Area all discharge sewage to subsidiary Pumping Stations situated at Old Salts and Lancing Park. From these two Stations the sewage is pumped direct to the Worthing Corporation sewage disposal works, where, after treatment, it is discharged to sea.

All these sewers and Pumping Stations have functioned satisfactorily throughout the year.

There has now been provided mobile pumping plant which is available for immediate use should there be any unforeseen breakdown at any of the Pumping Stations in any part of the District.

3 PUBLIC CLEANSING

(a) *House Refuse Collection.*

Refuse is collected weekly from the 17 Parishes in the District, and in addition from litter baskets and litter bins sited along the 5½ miles of beach frontages, throughout the shopping areas, on highway verges, and in recreation grounds.

There is also a regular collection of waste paper and other salvage from shops and other business premises. The work is carried out by a fleet of refuse collection vehicles of modern design.

(b) *House Refuse Disposal.*

The refuse disposal plant at Halewick Lane, Sompting has operated satisfactorily throughout the year, it is here that the whole of the refuse from Shoreham, Southwick and Portslade Urban District Councils and the Worthing Rural District Council is received, pulverised and disposed of by tipping in the valley adjacent to the Depot.

During the past year there has been installed at the Depot a new pulveriser with a much increased capacity for treating refuse, and also a new waste paper building and plant which has much increased efficiency of handling waste paper.

(c) *Cesspools.*

The cesspool emptying service has continued to operate successfully throughout the year.

4. RIVERS AND STREAMS

It has not been found necessary for any action to be taken in respect of pollution of rivers and streams in the area.

5. SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There are nine Swimming Pools in the District, situated respectively at Mallondene Holiday Hotel, Broadmark Lane, Rustington, Rustington House School, the North Lancing County Secondary Modern, West Preston Manor, East Preston, Sompting Abbotts Schools; Lancing College, North Lane County Primary School, Rustington, Findon School, and Irene Avenue School, Lancing.

Eleven samples of pool water were taken during the year, all were satisfactory with the exception of one from Mallondene Holiday Hotel, due to a breakdown in the filtration plant; a subsequent sample proved satisfactory.

The water in seven of the pools is subject to continuous filtration and automatic chlorination, and in two cases chlorination is carried out by hand at pre-determined dosage rate. In these cases the water is changed at regular intervals.

6. SCHOOLS

There are 14 County Schools and all have public water supply and water closets.

There are several private schools in the district, all of which have modern sanitation with satisfactory water supplies.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS AND VISITS MADE DURING THE YEAR

Houses under Housing Acts	...	...	...	...	31
Housing Act re-inspections	...	...	...	...	503
Houses inspected for overcrowding	...	...	...	...	6
Houses under Public Health Acts for defects	...	...	...	...	76
Public Health Act re-inspections	...	...	...	...	278
Premises under Public Health Acts for nuisances	...	...	...	...	1162
Animals' premises	...	...	...	...	31
Complaints investigated	...	...	...	...	269
Water tests applied to drains at reconstruction or connection to sewer	...	...	...	...	10
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act	...	...	...	...	4715
Clean Air Act	...	...	...	...	48
Number of inspections of Camping Sites	...	...	...	...	137
Number of Movable Dwellings inspected	...	...	...	...	79
Visits to obtain samples of water	...	...	...	...	42
Visits for interviews with Owners, Agents, etc.	...	...	...	...	743
Refuse Tips and Public Cleansing	...	...	...	...	1275
Miscellaneous visits	...	...	...	...	990
Rag Flock Act	...	...	...	...	4
Pet Animals Act	...	...	...	...	10
Infectious Diseases	...	...	...	...	21

Premises disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	0
Premises disinfested	...	...	...	...	...	...	52
Slaughterhouse	...	...	...	...	...	...	369
Knacker's Yard	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Meat shops, stalls and vehicles	...	...	...	...	...	...	376
Fish shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	131
Ice Cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	115
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	167
Hotel Kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Factories where Mechanical Power is used	...	...	...	...	...	...	109
Factories where Mechanical Power is not used	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Outworkers' premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	63
Petroleum Acts	...	...	...	...	...	...	149
Noise Abatement Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Hairdressers	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Canteen Kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Grocery and Provision shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	285
Licensed premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	63
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	113
Frozen food cabinets	...	...	...	...	...	...	242
Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	58
Bread and cake shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	82
Dairies and milk shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Other food premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Animals' Boarding Establishments Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Public Health Act 1961 (Demolition)	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	443
Agricultural Workers' Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	2

TOTAL number of inspections made

13,501

SUMMARY OF NOTICES SERVED AS A RESULT OF CONDITIONS FOUND AT THE ABOVE INSPECTIONS

(a) Statutory

	Notices served	Notices complied with	Notices outstanding
1. Demolition Orders made under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936.	0	0	1
Demolition Orders served under Section 17 (i) of the Housing Act, 1957	4	1	12
2. Closing Order served under Section 18 of the Housing, Act, 1957.	1	0	3
Closing Orders served under Section 17 (i) of the Housing Act, 1957.	0	0	3

3. Under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1957	...	...	...	...	0	0	4
4. Under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936 (Nuisances)					1	1	1
(b) Preliminary							
1. To execute works under the Housing Acts	...	...	...	...	19	12	14
2. To abate overcrowding	...				1	1	1
3. To execute works under Public Health Acts	...	...	...	...	60	52	48
4. To abate nuisances	...				354	331	125
5. To remedy contraventions of Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	801	826	71
6. To abate contraventions at Camping Sites	...	...	...	...	9	4	6
7. To abate contraventions at Food Premises	...	...	...	...	28	20	38
8. To remedy contraventions of Factories Act	...	...	...	...	6	0	7
9. To remedy contraventions at Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	2	2	0
10. To abate contraventions of Petroleum Acts	...	...	...	...	31	23	16
11. To abate contraventions at Animals' Premises	...	...	...	...	3	1	4
12. To abate contraventions at verminous premises	...	...	...	...	20	20	0
13. To abate contraventions of the Clean Air Act, 1958	...	...	...	...	16	16	0
14. To abate contraventions of the Water Act, 1945	...	...	...	...	3	3	1
15. To abate contraventions of the Noise Abatement Act	...	...	...	...	2	2	0
16. To abate contraventions of Public Health Act, 1961 (Demolition)	...	...	...	...	7	6	4
17. To abate contraventions of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	81	91	58
18. To abate contraventions of the Hairdressers' Byelaws	...				0	1	0
19. Removal of Vehicles Regulations	..	...	..	...	7	2	6
20. To abate contraventions of the Pet Animals Act	...	...			1	0	1

SUMMARY OF SANITARY WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Houses demolished	...	...	...	...	...	12
Houses redrained to Council's sewer	...	...	...	...	...	27
Cesspools abolished	...	...	...	...	...	13
Houses redrained defective	...	...	...	...	...	8
Houses where drains repaired	...	...	...	...	...	8
Intercepting traps provided	...	...	...	...	...	7
Ventilation shafts fixed	...	...	...	...	...	5
Inspection chambers constructed	...	...	...	...	...	19
Inspection chambers repaired	...	...	...	...	...	14
Obstructions removed from drains	...	...	...	...	...	18
Chemical closets abolished	...	...	...	...	...	4
Chemical closets provided	...	...	...	...	...	1
W.C.s provided	...	...	...	...	...	7
Rainwater pipes disconnected from drains	...	...	...	...	...	1
Defective W.C. pans and traps renewed	...	...	...	...	...	2
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	2
Houses provided with mains water supply	...	...	...	...	...	5
Additional water taps provided	...	...	...	...	...	17
Houses provided with sinks	...	...	...	...	...	3
Defective sinks renewed	...	...	...	...	...	7
New sink waste pipes provided or old repaired	...	...	...	...	...	10
Rooms stripped and cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	36
Ceilings stripped and cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	51
Windows repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4
Windows provided or enlarged	...	...	...	...	...	11
Walls repaired internally	...	...	...	...	...	32
Walls repaired externally	...	...	...	...	...	42
External painting	...	...	...	...	...	6
Floors repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	13
Stoves and fireplaces renewed	...	...	...	...	...	9
Chimney stacks repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	4
W.C.s provided with flushing cisterns	...	...	...	...	...	1
Rooms ventilated	...	...	...	...	...	2
Dampness remedied	...	...	...	...	...	24
Accumulations of refuse removed	...	...	...	...	...	187
Pavings to yards repaired	...	...	...	...	...	6
Roofs repaired	...	...	...	...	...	6
Rainwater pipes and eaves gutters repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	9
Verminous premises disinfested	...	...	...	...	...	16
Refuse receptacles provided	...	...	...	...	...	40
Food stores provided	...	...	...	...	...	5
Underfloor ventilation provided	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bathrooms provided	...	...	...	...	...	13
Hot water services provided	...	...	...	...	...	13
Electric lighting	...	...	...	...	...	3
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	14
TOTAL						638

FACTORIES ACT

Number of Factories with Mechanical Power	...	...	109
Number of Factories without Mechanical Power	...	...	5

1. Inspections

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspection	Written notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	1	0	0
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	109	109	6	0
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority excluding Outworkers' premises) ...	0	0	0	0
Total ...	114	110	6	0

2. Cases in which defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found:—				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred:—		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	3	2	0	0	0
Overcrowding	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary conveniences:—					
(a) Insufficient	2	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	2	0	1	0
(c) Not separate for sexes	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	3	0	0	0	0
Total	11	4	0	1	0

There are 53 Outworkers in the district.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Applications for registration have continued to come in very slowly; it is estimated that there are approximately 600 premises to which the Act applies within the District and the total number of applications for registration received during the year was only 13, making a total of 373 registered premises in all.

Every endeavour has been made to secure registration of all properties concerned, by individual visits, by publicity through the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Public Health Committee at Council Meetings, which have been quoted in the local Press. It is still felt that renewed powers should be given under Section 49 for authority to institute proceedings for non-registration.

There has been maintained steady progress in inspection of registered premises throughout the year, and generally speaking the contraventions have been found to be of a minor nature, not involving major structural works or alterations. Relationships with occupiers and owners of premises have continued satisfactorily, and where requests for works to be carried out have had to be made there has rarely been any difficulty. The co-operation of owners and occupiers has been most satisfactory.

One exemption certificate granted last year has now been cancelled, as the premises to which it related have now been rebuilt and the requirements of the Act have been met.

The situation at the end of the year was as follows:—

Class of premises	Number of premises registered during 1966	Total number of registered premises at end of 1966	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during 1966
Offices ...	1	88	8
Retail shops ...	9	238	67
Wholesale shops, warehouses ...	0	3	0
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens ...	2	42	11
Fuel storage depots ...	1	2	1
TOTAL ...	13	373	87

Number of visits of all kinds by Public Health

Inspectors to registered premises 443

Analysis of Persons employed in registered premises by workplace—

Class of Workplace	Number of persons employed				
Offices	349
Retail shops	911
Wholesale departments, warehouses	49
Catering establishments open to the public	233
Canteens	0
Fuel storage depots	12
TOTAL	1,554

Total—Males: 694. Females: 860.

Statistics of Accidents

During the year three accidents were the subject of notice, in each case none was serious and related to the following injuries:—

An employee walked into the handle of a refrigerator door and cut her leg.

An employee suffered acute back strain due to stacking crates.

An employee at a Factory dropped a box on his foot and suffered severe bruising.

In all cases an inspection of the premises was made for non-compliance with the Act, and the existence of any specific danger hazards.

Set out below is a schedule of contraventions found and remedied under the Act to date:—

	No. of contraventions found, 1966	No. of contraventions remedied, 1966
Cleanliness	0	0
Overcrowding	0	1
Temperature	41	44
Ventilation	12	9
Lighting	2	2
Sanitary convenience	7	12
Washing facilities	26	25
Supply of drinking water	1	2
Accommodation for clothing	4	4
Sitting facilities	7	6
Seats for sedentary workers	0	1
Eating facilities	1	1
Floors, passages and stairs, Landlord	3	3
Fencing of exposed parts of machinery	8	6
First Aid: General provision	39	36
General Regulations	61	42
Miscellaneous	32	29
TOTAL	244	223

Hairdresser Premises

Since the coming into operation of Byelaws in May 1962, all Hairdressing premises have been inspected at regular intervals. No further contraventions were found, and no action was required.

There are 37 Hairdressing premises within the District.

Movable Dwellings

Public Health Act, 1936. Section 269.

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.

The operation of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, throughout the year has been satisfactory. The owners of sites have again shown their complete willingness to co-operate, and have provided the additional amenities required by the new Site Licence conditions.

During the year 137 visits were made to Camping Sites and 79 to individual movable dwellings.

There are nine Camping Sites in the District, with accommodation for 794 caravans, each of these Sites is fully provided with all the amenities normally expected, that is to say, sanitary annexe comprising baths, washbasins, water-borne sanitation, laundry facilities and drying area, metalled roadways, hard standings, ample waterpoints from the public mains supply, and in nearly all cases, additional amenities in the form of canteens and games rooms.

In addition to the above, there are four small Sites providing accommodation for eight caravans, and 49 single sites whereon there are stationed individual caravans. Thus the total number of caravans in the District is 851.

Clean Air Act, 1956

48 inspections have been made at premises coming within the scope of the above mentioned Act, as a result of which 16 contraventions were found, 12 from the burning of various materials by bonfire and 4 nuisances arising from incorrect burning of domestic oil fired heating appliances; all were dealt with satisfactorily.

Three applications for the approval of furnace installations for the purpose of Section 111 (ii) of the Act were approved, and the Certificates issued.

Noise Abatement Act, 1960

During the year it has been necessary to carry out inspections at 24 premises in relation to complaints received on noise nuisance. At 2 of these premises contraventions were found, and at 2 were found to have been remedied.

In 2 instances serious and widespread complaints have been received, one in respect of boiler plant at a Nursery, and in this case the Company concerned have carried out extensive work to overcome the trouble. This has resulted in noise being very considerably reduced, but has not yet wholly rectified the trouble.

In another case the Factory installed new plant and a ventilation system attached to this plant produced noise to such an extent that complaints were received from a very wide area. Here again full co-operation has been received from the Company concerned, extensive works have been carried out with the result that although not wholly abated, the noise has been reduced to such dimensions that for some time past no further complaints have been received.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed	...	...	...	...	5
Number of inspections made	...	...	...	...	10
Number of contraventions found	...	...	...	...	1
Number of contraventions remedied	...	...	...	...	0

Animals' Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises registered	...	...	...	...	5
Number of inspections made	...	...	...	...	15
Number of contraventions found	...	...	...	...	0

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of premises registered	...	...	...	...	3
Number of inspections made	...	...	...	...	4
Number of contraventions found	...	...	...	...	0

Two samples of filling material were submitted for analysis during the year; both were found to be satisfactory.

Mosquitoes

Routine inspections of ditches and watercourses revealed no nuisance of this nature.

Public Health Act, 1961—Section 29 (Demolition)

This section requires that no person shall undertake a demolition of the whole or part of any building unless specifying the building and works of demolition intending to be carried out is given to the Local Authority.

During the year 7 buildings became the subject of such notices and in each case an inspection was made and notice served upon the Demolition Contractors requesting them to comply with the requirements of Sub-Section 5 of the Section.

Number of notices received	...	...	...	...	7
Number of premises demolished	...	...	...	...	6

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

The following is a Table of the work carried out:—

Number of inspections made	...	...	...	...	1,352
Number of re-inspections made	...	...	...	...	3,363
Number of complaints made by the public	...	...	...	...	904
Infestations found as a result of the above	...	...	...	...	719
Infestations found by the Public Health Department	...	...	...	...	82
Total number of premises where nuisances found	...	...	...	...	801

Premises where nuisances remedied:—

Rats: Reservoirs	...	0			
Major	...	0			
Minor	...	770			
Mice: Major	...	0			
Minor	...	56			
TOTAL	826

No. of block control operations (2 or more premises)	41
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No. of joint operations reported to	
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West Sussex Agricultural Executive Committee	...	2
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Summary

Total number of rats found dead	329
Total number of mice found dead	76

Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Five dealers are registered under this Act, four of which are itinerant in nature.

SECTION D

HOUSING, 1965

Total number of applicants on waiting list for houses at December 31st, 1966	800
Total number of applications received during 1966 ...	489
Total number of families rehoused during 1966 ...	257
Total number of transfers during 1966	69

New Houses Erected During 1966

During the year 1,045 houses were erected, 843 by private enterprise and 186 by the Local Authority, and 16 by Housing Associations

A further 83 housing units were under construction at the end of the year by the Local Authority.

The number of new Council houses erected since the war up to the end of 1966 was 1,649 bringing the total Council house and flat accommodation up to 2,248 units.

Summary of Council Properties as at 31st December, 1966

			Pre-War	Post-War	Total
Five Bedroom Houses	—	—	—	—	—
Four Bedroom Houses	40	52			92
Three Bedroom Houses	424	712			1,136
Two Bedroom Houses	117	264			381
Three Bedroom Flats	—	75			75
Two Bedroom Flats	—	160			160
One Bedroom Flats	—	77			77
Bed-Sitter Flats	—	147			147
Two Bedroom Bungalows	—	24			24
Aged Persons Bungalows	15	138			153
Miscellaneous	3	—			3
TOTAL	599	1,649			2,248

The position of the pre-war Council houses is as follows:—

8 are without piped domestic hot water; 591 properties have baths and bathrooms.

8 bungalows are without baths and domestic hot water supply and 36 houses are without wash-hand basins. These properties are not readily adaptable to modernisation and the Engineer and Surveyor is considering the advisability of redevelopment.

557 pre-war Council houses have wash-hand basins.

Overcrowding

- (a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year 2
 (ii) Number of families dwelling therein 2
 (iii) Number of persons dwelling therein 13
 (b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported ... 1
 (c) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year 1
 (d) Number of persons concerned in such cases 11
 (e) Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have become overcrowded again after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding ... 0
 (f) Summary of action taken during the year in respect to overcrowding found during the Overcrowding Survey under the Housing Act, 1935, and since its completion:—

PARISH	Reported over-crowding	Over-crowding abated	Remaining over-crowded	No. of families affected	No. of persons affected
Angmering ...	30	30	0	36	231
Burpham ...	4	4	0	7	38
Clapham ...	2	2	0	2	20
Coombes ...	1	1	0	1	8
East Preston ...	17	16	1	21	151
Ferring ...	8	8	0	11	63
Findon ...	12	12	0	16	112
Lancing ...	66	65	1	94	551
Patching ...	2	2	0	2	16
Poling ...	1	1	0	3	9
Rustington ...	13	13	0	20	95
Sompting ...	30	30	0	49	225
TOTAL ...	186	184	2	262	1,519

Unfit Houses Programme as at 31st December, 1966

Two houses were added to the list so that at December 31st, 1966 the total programme comprised 523 houses. The position on the 31st December, 1966 regarding houses in the Unfit Houses Programme was as follows:—

Number of houses demolished as a result of Demolition Orders	47
Number of houses made fit and Demolition Order cancelled	13
Number of houses closed on Undertaking after Demolition Order made	4
Number of houses still awaiting demolition	13
Number of houses demolished after being closed on Undertaking	22
Number of houses demolished following informal action	33

Number of houses where Closing Orders made	...	6
Number of houses where part closed	... ..	2
Number of houses closed on Undertaking not to relet		27
Number of houses where Undertaking given to make fit		17
Number of houses made fit after formal action	...	69
Number of houses made fit after informal action	...	248
Number of houses where no further action to be taken		1
Number of houses where action still necessary	...	21
TOTAL		523

Steady progress has again been made throughout the year with respect to the demolition, closing or reconditioning of houses in the above programme. Naturally the pace has now slowed down as very few remain to be dealt with, which are the hard-core, and to some extent are all in the ownership of one or two owners only who have to programme their work over a period of years.

The number of houses remaining with apparently no action taken is reduced from 25 to 21, and an analysis of the state respecting these houses is set out below:—

Owner to demolish voluntarily	... ..	1
Owner submitting scheme for reconditioning	... ..	8
Houses occupied by very elderly tenant—action deferred during his or her lifetime	... ..	1
Derelict property	... ..	1
Further action required	... ..	9
Work in progress	... ..	1
		21

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959

HOUSING ACTS 1961 and 1964

So far as the compulsory improvements of dwellings to provide standard amenities is concerned under the Housing Act, 1964, a survey of the District was put into practice during the year and rather than apply compulsory powers, direct approach has been made to owners concerned; as a result applications for assistance by way of Discretionary or Standard Grant have resulted, the effect of which will be felt in the coming year.

(a) Discretionary Grant

Number of applications received	... ..	17
Number of applications approved	... ..	19 including 4 from 1965
Number of applications awaiting decision	... ..	2
Number of applications rejected	... ..	0
Number of applications withdrawn (following approval)	... ..	0

The total number of houses which have been reconditioned with the assistance of grant since these facilities became available is 227, including 9 cases of 2 houses being converted to one, 4 houses being converted to 2, and one application previously withdrawn; work is in progress at 12 houses.

The value of works of improvement and repair approved during the year was £12,998 17s. 5d., the amount of grant approved to be made in respect of these properties when works completed was £5,615 0s. 0d. The value of works of improvement and repair at properties where works were completed during the year was £5,365 and the amount of grant paid in respect of these works was £2,664.

Of the 227 houses which have been improved with the assistance of grant, 82 were occupied by their owners, 44 were weekly tenancies and 101 were occupied by agricultural workers.

(b) Standard Grants

During the year 8 applications were received; 7 were approved. Works were completed in 6 cases and the grant paid.

The total number of applications approved since Standard Grants became available is 78, of which 58 were in respect of houses occupied by their owners, 19 occupied by weekly tenants, and one by an agricultural worker.

The following amenities were provided during 1966:—

Bathroom	Wash-hand basin in bathroom	Hot water supply	Water closet	Foodstore
4	6	6	5	0

The maximum grant permissible in all these cases was £782 10s., but by virtue of the fact that the total cost of the works was less than the permitted maximum, the amount of grant actually paid was £629 12s. 4d.

Local Land Charges Act

Owing to the fact that in this District there is a continual change of ownership of properties, and in addition, extensive development continues apace, it has been necessary to deal with 2,452 enquiries under the above mentioned Act; this work takes up considerable time in research and investigation.

SECTION E

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Food premises throughout the District were kept under constant survey, and the Public Health Inspectors again received full co-operation from proprietors and owners of food premises generally, in their efforts to secure improvements and compliance with the Food Hygiene Regulations.

It was found necessary to report on 14 cases where articles of food had been found to contain foreign bodies or were not of the nature, substance or quality demanded.

In 11 of these cases it was decided that proceedings should not be taken, but that the Company concerned should be warned of the intention to take legal proceedings in any future instance. They relate to the following matters:—

Foreign body in bottle of milk..

Foreign body in bottle of milk.

Mould in pie.

Wire in custard.

Foreign body in pork pie.

Silver paper in beer bottle.

Dirt in bottle of milk.

Mould in yoghurt.

Mould in bread.

Foreign body in potato sticks.

Mould in steak and kidney pie.

So far as the 3 cases where proceedings were taken are concerned, these resulted as follows:—

(a) Foreign body in bottle of milk	—	£5 fine, 5gns. costs
(b) Mould in cream cakes	—	£10 fine, 5gns. costs
(c) Dirt in milk bottled on Farm	—	£20 fine, 2gns. costs

The total number of premises where food is sold in the District to which the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960 apply is 308.

All these premises are fitted with wash-hand basins, together with hot and cold water supply to comply with Regulation 16. Regulation 19 applies in each case and in every instance the premises are fitted to comply with Regulation 19.

In the case of many of these food premises more than one type of food is sold, with the result that whilst all are subject to the Food Hygiene Regulations, other Acts and Regulations also apply, for example, the Ice Cream Regulations, the Milk and Dairies Regulations, Meat Regulations etc. An analysis set out below, indicates the nature of the food business carried on, and the number of premises affected.

Cafes and Restaurants	...	...	54
Hotel Kitchens	...	...	29
Licensed premises	...	...	63
Ice Cream premises	...	...	124
Fish shops	...	...	10
Grocery and provisions	...	...	87
Bakehouses	...	...	12
Meat shops	...	...	33
Greengrocers	...	...	42
Canteen kitchens	...	...	34
Confectionery	...	...	53
Bread and cake shops	...	...	27
Dairies and milk shops	...	...	27
TOTAL	...	...	595

The number of food premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act is as follows:—

Making of cheeses, savouries, cooking chicken and poultry	...	...	1
Making of sausages	...	...	6
Cooking ham	...	...	10
Making sausage rolls, meat pies	...	...	1
Making of sausages, pickling of meat cooking of ham and chicken	...	...	4
Sale of sausages, cooked meats etc.	...	...	14
Preparation of preserved food for sale	...	...	1
Preparation of cooked foods and fried fish for sale	...	...	3
Preparation of food for sale	...	...	1
Sale of meat pies, cooked ham	...	...	3
Delicatessen shop	...	...	1
Cooking crabs, lobsters etc., smoking fish	...	...	1
Sale of ice cream (not all selling)	...	...	190
TOTAL	...	...	236

The number of inspections of registered food premises is not kept separately; the number of inspections carried out at food premises is as follows:—

Dairies and milkshops	...	...	20
Slaughterhouse	...	...	369
Meat shops	...	...	373
Vehicles	...	...	3
Fish shops	...	...	131
Ice cream premises	...	...	115

Restaurants	...	...	...	167
Hotel kitchens	...	...	...	43
Other food premises	...	...	...	20
Bakehouses	...	...	...	31
Grocery and provisions	...	...	...	285
Canteen kitchens	...	...	...	23
Licensed premises	...	...	...	63
Greengrocers	...	...	...	113
Confectionery	...	...	...	242
Bread and cake shops	...	...	...	58
Frozen food cabinets	...	...	...	242
TOTAL				2,298

As a result of these inspections contraventions were found at 28 premises, and were found to have been remedied at 20 premises, including some from the previous year. The nature of the actual contraventions remedied was as follows:—

Structural defects remedied	...	...	4
Washing facilities (personal)	...	...	1
Sinks provided (equipment)	...	...	2
Hot water facilities provided	...	...	4
Periodic cleansing carried out	...	...	5
First Aid materials provided	...	...	3
Storage facilities for refuse	...	...	1
Drains repaired or unblocked	...	...	1
Other contraventions remedied	...	...	17
TOTAL			38

The Retailing of Frozen Foods

It has again been noticed throughout the year under review that the Code of Practice drawn to the attention of persons retailing frozen foods has been, generally speaking, adhered to in all its requirements.

Good co-operation from retailers was received, and it was only necessary to remind them occasionally to check regularly temperatures in cabinets, not to overstock above the load lines, and to defrost at regular intervals.

MILK

Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1959

Milk (Special Designations) Regulations, 1960

No. of Distributors registered in the District 31.12.66 ... 55

ICE CREAM (Heat Treatment etc.) Regulations, 1947/1959**ICE CREAM (Heat Treatment) (Amendment) Regulations, 1963**

Inspections made under the above mentioned Regulations again provided the information that the conditions throughout the District were generally satisfactory.

Number of premises registered for manufacture	...	1
Number of premises registered for storage only	...	1
Number of premises registered for manufacture and sale		16
Number of premises registered for retail only	...	174
Number of inspections of premises where Ice Cream sold		115
Number of samples taken	... ..	82

Report on Samples of Ice Cream taken during the year

82 samples of ice cream were taken, falling into the following Grades:—

Grade 1.	Grade 2.	Grade 3.	Grade 4.
54	21	5	2
65.845 %	25.609 %	6.098 %	2.439 %

In the cases where unsatisfactory results were received, repeat samples were taken after advice had been given, which produced satisfactory results.

MEAT

There is one private Slaughterhouse in the District which complies with the general requirements relating to such premises, and is conducted in a satisfactory manner. The arrangements with respect to the disposal of carcasses of diseased animals and offal are by sale to Fertilizer and Soap Manufacturers, the value accredited being refunded to the owner concerned.

The meat Inspection Regulations have been complied with satisfactorily during the year.

Carcasses inspected and condemned

The following table is a summary of the number of animals killed and the amount of meat surrendered:—

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known) ...	359	0	31	1361	1115	0
Number inspected ...	359	0	31	1361	1115	0
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcasses condemned ...	0	0	0	0	2	0
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ...	42	0	0	22	49	0

Percentage of the number inspected affected other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci ...	11.70%	0%	0%	16.16%	4.57%	0%
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcase condemned ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	0	0	0	0	7	0
Percentage of the number of inspected affected with Tuberculosis ...	0%	0%	0%	0%	.62%	0%
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	3	0	0	0	0	0
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	4	0	0	0	0	0
Generalised and totally condemned ...	0	0	0	0	0	0

Continued inspections of deliveries of meat to shops were carried out. The total weight of meat found to be unfit for consumption is as follows:—

Affected with Tuberculosis:—

Bovine ...	Nil
Pigs ...	74 lbs.
Sheep and Lambs ...	Nil

Affected with other Diseases:—

Bovine ...	1,273 lbs.
Sheep and Lambs ...	44½ lbs.
Pigs ...	1,372 lbs.

104 Certificates were issued to Traders so as to enable them to obtain compensation for their loss.

Number of inspections at Slaughterhouse under Meat Regulations ...	369
Number of inspections at Butchers' shops under Meat Regulations ...	373
Number of vehicles inspected ...	3

Slaughterhouse and Meat Shops

Number of Meat Shops in the District ...	33
Number of Slaughterhouses in the District ...	1
Number of Slaughterhouses licensed ...	1
Number of Notices served for contraventions ...	4
Number of Notices complied with ...	7

Knacker's Yard

The Knacker's Yard in the District continues to operate satisfactorily, and the standard of cleanliness, equipment, and structural condition is well maintained.

Bakehouses

All Bakehouses in the District have been inspected and were found to be very clean and satisfactory.

Number of Bakehouses in the District ..	...	...	12
Number underground ... ..	...	...	0
Number of inspections ... ..	...	...	31
Number of vehicles inspected ... ..	...	...	0
Number of Notices served for sanitary defects	...	...	2
Number of Notices complied with	...	...	2

Other Foods

Food diseased, unsound, etc., other than under Meat Regulations:—

Number of parcels of food surrendered	...	...	46
Number of seizures ... ..	...	...	0
Number of summonses issued ... ..	...	...	0
Number of convictions obtained	...	...	0

49 Certificates were issued to Traders, so as to enable them to obtain compensation and replacement for their loss.

In some cases tinned foods are returned to the supplier for investigation as to the cause of unsoundness, and in others the tins are disposed of by the Public Cleansing Service of the Council. Perishable foods found to be unsound are removed and destroyed forthwith.

The following foods were found to be unfit for human consumption and were surrendered by the Owner. on request:—

Article of Food	Total Net Weight					
	Tons	cwts.	qtrs.	stones	lbs.	ozs.
Various frozen foodstuffs	1	4	2	1	4	11
Various tinned foodstuffs			4	0	9	4
Dogfish					8	0
Ham				4	10	0
Cheese (packets)					3	6
Various tinned fruit				1	12	4½
Tinned fish					1	5
Tinned meat				2	5	8
Melons		3	1	0	7	0
Nuts				1	11	0
Vegetables				3	2	12
Groceries (packet)				2	1	12¼
Capons (two)					10	0
TOTAL	1	11	0	1	7	6¾

SHELL FISH

Number of shell fish or layings in the District	...	0
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SECTION F

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifiable Diseases

	Und. 1 year	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	Over 25	Total
Scarlet Fever	—	4	6	1	—	—	11
Whooping Cough	—	4	1	—	—	1	6
Measles	13	112	138	6	8	—	277
Dysentery	—	—	1	—	—	2	3
Erysipelas	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Food Poisoning	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	9	5	14*
Rubella	11	32	63	22	19	19	166

* Of the 14 cases notified from Zachary Merton Maternity Hospital only 4 cases were residents of Worthing Rural District.

NOTIFICATIONS 1957-1966

	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Measles	114	278	427	198	310	43	560	45	646	277
Whooping Ch.	39	4	2	20	20	2	6	46	5	6
Scarlet Fever	14	18	46	15	11	7	12	7	4	11
Poliomyelitis	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

The last case of Diphtheria was in 1949. Between 1940 and 1949 there were 23 cases. and in the period 1933 to 1939 there were 144 cases.

TUBERCULOSIS

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Cases on Register 1.1.66	16	7	—	2	25
Primary Notifications—1966					
(both males aet: 23 and 43)	2	—	—	—	2
Transfers to the district	5	—	—	—	5
TOTALS	23	7	—	2	32
Deaths during 1966	—	—	—	—	—
Removals from Register					
(8 recovered; 1 left district and 1 rediagnosed)	8	2	—	—	10
Cases on Register 31.12.66	15	5	—	2	22

There were no cases of the following diseases, which are also -notifiable:—

Anthrax	Ophthalmia Neonatorum
Cholera	Paratyphoid
Diphtheria	Plague
Encephalitis	Acute Poliomyelitis
Enteric Fever	Relapsing Fever
Malaria	Smallpox
Meningococcal Infection	Typhus
Membranous Croup	

IMMUNISATION

During the year the following immunisations were carried out in the District:—

Diphtheria and Tetanus :

Primary Injections	...	...	35
Reinforcing Injections		...	791

Diphtheria :

Primary Injections	...	...	—
Reinforcing Injections		...	—

Triple Antigen :

Primary Injections	...	...	577
Reinforcing Injections		...	595

Poliomyelitis Vaccination

Initial vaccination of 2 injections, or 3 doses of oral vaccine			874
Reinforcing procedures	...		1,125

Smallpox Vaccination

Primary Vaccination	...		586
Re-vaccinations	...	...	166

Influenza

The Council staff were offered Influenza Vaccination in the autumn of 1966 and 67 out of 228 took advantage of the Council's offer.

